

## *Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative Report*

*Meeting of June 17<sup>th</sup>*

Hello council,

On the 17<sup>th</sup> of June we had another board meeting. Many issues that have arose in the last couple of weeks, were clarified. Most notably, the question on the Dean of Medicine and his convocation speech was answered. This was a big issue for the university, and to my knowledge this was dealt in an efficient and well versed manner. The Dean has resigned on the recommendation of the Provost. He will maintain in his faculty position following his brief administrative leave.

The Vice-Dean of faculty student affairs Dr. Verna Yiu, will be serving as interim Dean in his stead.

The college Saint-Jean ( not to be confused with the faculty) will now be offering a diploma in business administration. We raised concerns about students trying to transfer credits, but for now credit transfers between the college and the university will be done as if they were separate institutions. This diploma will be a two year program, situated in the new college Saint-Jean facilities in La Cité Francophone. The need for the program was explained in letters from members of French businesses, indicating the need for qualified bilingual employees.

We also approved the funding for the Next Generation Energy Management Program that will be saving the university about 3.8 million dollars annually upon completion, although the program will cost around 35 million dollars in its extent. The program will target implementations such as lighting system upgrades and retrofit, waste heat recovery systems (air and water), micro-steam turbines, and high efficiency motor replacements.

These potentials projects have been identified and are being further investigated:

“Steam System Insulation – Medical Sci, Biological Sciences, Agriculture Forestry

Air System VSD"s and Controls – Human Ecology, Campus St Jean, Augustana

Solar Thermal Water Heating and Air System Heat Recovery - Phys. Ed

Small Scale Solar PV – Engineering Buildings

Domestic Water Reduction –Students Union, School of Business

Air System Upgrades – Ed North, Clinical Sci, Cameron

Retrofit Room Controls – Central Academic, Tory, Assiniboia

Pump System VSD"s and Controls - Medical Sci, Bio Sci, Agriculture Forestry

Parkade Lighting Retrofits – Education, Timms/Telus, Stadium, Windsor"

We also approved the Balmoral Repurposing Proposal. This proposal of creating a cyclotron facility on south campus would play an important part in the production of medical isotopes that diagnose cancer and heart disease. The half-life of the isotopes is six hours, which makes the facility's purposing by south campus an exceptional advantage, as it is near the LRT which will soon connect the hospitals in Edmonton and has easy access to the airport.

The community has shown support to the new facility, and its cyclotron.

If anyone is interested in reading the proposal for the facility or any of the open agenda items, feel free to contact me.

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